# BIRDS THAT LOVE SAP

Observations in a City Garden. A Woodpecker Feast. Curious and Amusing Traits of the Humming Birds. 



were begun in a city garden. It was not a the worst imaginable. In fact, it had certain real advantages. The narrowness of the field saved me from many distractions, and perhaps from the paralyzing discourthe hard places. A beginner is best off with short lessons. For me, certainly, at that stage of the game, two or three birds a day were plenty. A man to whom a female a puzzle (how beautiful she was!-there were no words to express it) had little need of the whole countryside in which to ex-

in that city garden with nothing but pleasuse. Even yet, as I cross it now and then, have grown, I think of the good times, the mornings of hurry and excitement--for l must see all that was to be seen before the office hours begun-that I enjoyed them more than twenty years ago. How gladly I would still spend my mornings about those trim flower beds and shrubbery patches, if I could expect to find in them as many "new birds," or even half as many, as they then furnished. I have said it often, and will say it again, the novice is the man to be envied. I was like Adam in his garden; for to me, almost as truly as to him, the world was just made.

Well, it was then and there that I saw my first yellow-bellied woodpecker, or sapsucker as the bird is otherwise called. I discovered him one morning in early October on a white maple tree-a migrant that had dropped into the garden to rest on his long journey southward. And very strange he looked. Even my newly-opened eyes had no need to look twice to see that he was an utter novelty. Instead of a red spot on the back of his head, he had a blood-red throat and a blood-red crown.

I stayed by him till the last moment. studying his "points," for as yet I knew not what to call him, and at dinner time, to my delight, he was still in the same tree. And there he remained for four days. What most surprised me was the fact of his keeping so persistently to that one maple trunk. He had drilled a few holes in the bark, the sap was running, and he was drinking it. Evidently he was an epicure; one of the fortunate creatures who are born with a sweet tooth; and his name, I said to myself, suited him to a dot, for by this time I had consulted my one bird book (dear old Minot) and had made him A CHEERFUL COMPANY.

last, I was driving with a friend in Fran- that sap was probably the main article conia, N. H., when we turned into a farm of diet, while the second proved that the road which crosses a broad river meadow birds could exist and for a season thrive on one side of which is a larch swamp. on nothing but diluted maple syrup. In "Mr. -- used often to go in there," my fact, they were only too ready to do so. friend remarked. "He found some rare | They grew inordinately fat, and after about plants there and I should think the place | three months died rather suddenly of "enought to be birdy." "Very good," said I, largement and fatty degeneration of the "while you are down by the river hunting liver." So the physician reported to whom for insects. I will push into the swamp a the little birdies had been sent for autopsy. little way and see what I can see," It was a very little way indeed. The sunny edges | have compelled them sooner to adopt a of a wood are almost invariably more populous than its darker interior and I was hardly in the shadow of the first trees beful company: phoebes, wood pewees, king birds, myrtle warblers, cedar waxwings, and especially both kinds of crossbilis. Then, going a few steps farther, I came upon two white birches in which were reveral sapsuckers and two or three humming-birds. At a height of fifteen or twenty feet from the ground the bark of the trees had been perforated thickly with small holes for the space of two feet, more or less, and from these holes, or at least from some of them, sap was running.

I could stay only a few minutes, but it was evident at the first glance what was soing on. The woodpeckers had prepared a feast, and the humming birds had come unbidden to share it. They were in a very lively meed (the hummers, I mean), hovering before the holes, squeaking at a great rate (a sure sign of excitement), and now and then (another sign of excitement) spreading their handsome tails. The behavior of the woodpeckers was exactly opposite-sluggish to the last degree-as if they had sat at table so long and eaten so much as to be almost incapable of stirring.

This was on Aug. 12. The next afternoon, my hotel. I was there again, and found son elected President?-L. C. W. both woodpeckers and hummers present when I arrived. This time I discovered that a few of the smaller branches had been tapped, as well as the main trunks. "It was very pretty," my notebook says, "to see the humming birds, with the sun on their shining green backs, hovering before the holes in the bark." Once an Antiops butterfly (one of our largest species) fluttered about the trees and finally came to rest upon the belt of holes and stayed a long time. It is a good thing to think of, that any real work we do, though it be done only from a selfish motive, is likely to prove of benefit to others as well as to ourselves. "No man liveth to himself," the Bible says, and the same is true of woodpeckers.

LAZY WOODPECKERS. Two days later I made the place a third visit. One of the sapsuckers was on duty as I came up and one of the humming birds appeared within five minutes. Now for the first time I saw that the woodpecker, who seemed to be "camped" there, as my pencil expressed it, was evidently resentful of the smaller bird's presence. And why not? Has a woodpecker no right Blanchard, the aeronaut, who was pen- "Home, Sweet Home," occurred. He reto the results of his own industry? So far as I could make out there was no actual coming to blows, but I saw many gestures and motions, as to the hostile significance of which there could be no manner of doubt. Certainly the hummer had none. Once, in fact, the little fellow was fairly put to flight. At this, just to see what would happen. I went up so close to the tree that the woodpecker himself deemed it prudent to withdraw, though he moved only to a neighboring spruce. Instantly the hummer returned and fell to enjoying himself. To his way of thinking I must have been a very benevolent gentleman, but he said nothing or nothing that I understood. I was so near him that I could see his shining tongue. All things considered, his was a pretty innocent kind of poach-

I moved away for a few rods, the woodpecker came back, and in another minute a second one joined him. And there the two remained until I wearied of watching them. It was such laziness as one would hardly have expected of any bird. A long period of motionless waiting, a sudden dip of the bill into one of the holes, out of which it came glistening with sap-another long wait, another dip, and so on Indefinitely. If the humming birds had not stirred the sluggish creatures to activity now and then, they would surely have fallen

ing it seemed to me.

life, and am perhaps almost too fond of preaching its gospel; but not to sit all day

at table guzzling sweets! THREE WEEKS' FEED.

One thing and another hindered me from going to the spot again for sixteen days. Then I stepped up to the tree, and behold there were the two sapsuckers flattened against it, exactly as I had left them. No doubt they had been there day after day. I tarried but a few minutes and saw no humming bird. One thing I did see, though Maryland yellow-throat was a novelty and | it had no connection with the woodpeckers and their doings. That was a Cape May warbler, a very choice variety of New England at any time, and the only one that I had ever seen in Franconia, after the So it is that I look back upon my hours | nesting season. To look for one thing is a good way to find something else. At least this is true in the practice of field orniand wender to see how large the trees | thology. It is one of the great attractions of that gentle science.

Two days afterwards one sapsucker was still feeding. That is to say, I saw one. Rain was falling before I reached the rendezvous, and I did nothing more than to run from the carriage into the swamp and out again. Without much doubt the bird had company within hail.

This was on the 2d of September-my first visit had been on Aug. 12. For three weeks, then, the birds had been living on those two birches. Not improbably they had been doing so for as many weeks before I happened to find them. How much longer their stay continued I have no means of telling. I went to look for them on Sept. 17, and they were gone. By that time, we may guess, they were on their way to winter quarters, in Mexico, perhaps, or Costa Rico, or the West Indies, though it is hard to believe that they could be in prime condition for such a journey after a month or two of uninterrupted "sapsucking."

It must not be supposed that I am writing of this envious habit of the yellowbellied woodpecker as if I had discovered something new. I had only discovered it for myself. The very name "sapsucker" is proof that the bird's method of feeding has long been 'a matter of knowledge. Frank Boller, whose untimely death a few years ago is still deeply lamented by all American nature lovers, made very patient and elaborate studies of the subject, especially with a view to determining whether the birds lived chiefly upon the sap, or, as some had assumed, upon the insects which the flowing sap attracted.

He went so far as to shoot several adult birds while they were living upon such "orchards" as I have described and subjected their stomachs to examination. Then he caught three young ones and kept them Twenty-three years afterward, in August | in captivity. The first experiment showed In a wild state a change of season would change of diet. Even in a state of nature,

however, as I have already said, the gormandizing of the sapsuckers has all the fore I found myself surrounded by a cheer- appearance of a good thing overdone. If I might venture a guess I should say that the birds would live longer and the species be more common if they had never discovered this very luxurious method of subsistence. In their case, as in that of human beings, ease is the mother of disease.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

High living is short living.

How did Judas Iscarlot die?-W. He strangled himself.

State who played "The Sprightly Romance of Marsac," and when was it played last in Indianapolis?-G. B. It was played here but once, last season,

by Macklyn Arbuckle. Is there a law to compel school teachers to keep the American flag up over schoolhouses during school hours? If so, when

was the law enacted?-Reader. There is no such law, either state or na-In what year was the Black Hawk war's

2. In what year was the great fire in New In 1832, 2. There were two; one in 1835, an-

other in 1845. 3. In 1828 and again in 1832. Where do monsoons occur, in China or

Japan sea?-L. K. In both, but more marked in China sea. Here the name monsoon was given first, ing winds elsewhere.

and if so where are they located? Also, is there a government land office in the State's

Booneville, Ironton and Springfield. and the sales ords?-A.

Trotting, Cresceus, one mile, 2:0214, made Aug. 2, 1901, at Columbus, O. Pacing, Star Pointer, one mile, 1:59%. Aug. 28, 1897, at

When was the parachute first used, and by whom was it invented?--Grace. It was developed and first employed suc- ond" were the more lasting, but it was in cessfully at Strassburg, in 1787, by Francois | "Clari, or the Maid of Milan" that his song,

sioned in 1785 for crossing the British chan- | turned to the United States in 1832 and in

Please give the address of a working girls' home in Indianapolis where a respect-able sewing girl can obtain board and lodging at low rates.-Subscriber.

Address Secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Association, 329 North Pennsylvania street, or the manager of the Bertha Ballard Home, 411 North Delaware street.,

sells it to B for \$900, taking in payment seventy-two notes of \$12.50 each, payable nonthly, without interest. What has been A's per cent, of gain, assuming that each note was paid promptly when due?-A. C. T. The question of interest being put out of consideration, the gain is simply the \$200a proportion of 2-7, or 28 4-7 per cent.

What language is "Mene, mene, tekel, pharsin," the handwriting on the wall?-

Chaldee. To account for the fact that "all the King's wise men" could neither read nor interpret it, it is supposed by many writers that the inscription was written in other than Chaldean text.

Will you name George Washington's first Cabinet? 2. When and how long was President Roosevelt Governor of New York?-K. Thomas Jefferson, secretary of state; Alexander Hamilton, secretary of the treasury; Henry Knox, secretary of war; Samuel Osgood, postmaster general; Edmund Randolph, attorney general. 2. From Jan. 1, 1899, to Dec. 31, 1900.

Where is the center of population and (2) of area of the United States?-O. G. W. In Bartholomew county, Indiana, six miles southeast of Columbus, the county seat. 2. In northern Kansas, about 39 degrees 55 minutes north latitude, and 98 degrees 50 minutes west longitude; this exclusive of Alaska, Hawaii and recent ac-

Please inform me where I can obtain the latest and best atlas of our new possessions and the world?—W. L. A.

A recent number of the National Geographic Magazine, published in Washington, D. C., contained a large and elaborate map of the Philippines, made according to latest government surveys. It has also, we believe, published maps of Cuba and Porto Rico. Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago, are reliable map publishers.

of health in smallpox cases. Is it lawful land, taken to France, then back to Scotand not visit them for two weeks?-U.S.T. A case of this kind is one of neglect, and could be held liable. The law provides that | ard, Catherine Parr. 2. All the children of in cities and towns local health officers | these marriages that survived him came to shall look after such quarantined patients. the throne. They were Edward VI, reign-In rural districts the County Commission- ing from 1547 to 1553; Mary I, 1553-1558, and ers must provide for their care.

What is the public debt at present? 2. What per cent. has it decreased since the ivil war? 3. Who is president of the United States Senate?-J. H. C.

The Treasury Department's statement for Jan. 31 put it at \$1,330,723,544. 2. A very small fraction over 52 per cent., reckoning from the debt of June 30, 1866. 3. No one; the Constitution provides that the Vice President shall be president of the Senate, and the vice presidency is vacant. William P. Frye is president pro tempore of the Sen-

in each of the cotton States for the last three or four years?-Britton.

In thousands of bales, respectively, for 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901 the figures are: North Carolina, 476, 480, 400 and 425; for South Carolina, 956, 960, 874 and 802; Georgia, 1,445, .448, 1,226 and 1,196; Florida, 65, 54, 57 and 55; Alabama, 1,147, 1,161, 1,126 and 1,078; Mississippi, 1,808, 1,776, 1,349 and 1,115; Louisiana, 669, 577, 651 and 698; Texas, 3,008, 3,143, 2,575 and 3,550; Arkansas, 905, 921, 665 and 819; Tennessee, 360, 381, 240 and 275.

Is there a House of Lords in Canada? 2 Does it require more postage to send a letter from England to Canada, than between two places in England?-G.

No; the higher house of the Canadian Parliament is the Senate. Senators are nominated for life by the Governor General (himself an appointee of the crown). and must be thirty years old and worth at least \$4,000. 2. Not unless the letter weighs over half an ounce; that is, a letter up to four ounces goes within the United Kingdom for a penny, while that sum will carry only a half ounce letter to the Dominion.

Was the leaning tower at Pisa built to lean? If not, when and why did the leaning take place?-E.

It is thought not, but that it began to lean when the third of its eight stories was completed. The architects seem to have accommodated their designs to this situation, and to have adhered to the incline, but lessened the slope of the upper stories so as to keep the center of gravity within the walls. The entire deviation is about fourteen feet, the diameter of the though the place was several miles from | York? 3. In what year was Andrew Jack- whole being fifty feet. The structure was begun in 1174, but its eighth story was notcompleted until the middle of the fourteenth century.

> Will you sketch the life of John Howard and did he afterward see his mother?-A. He was born in New York city, June 9, but it now is applied to periodic, alternat- 1792, and was a precocious youngster, at the age of fourteen editing clandestinely a Are there any public lands in Missouri, employed in a counting house. The following year he entered Union College, remain-There are 281,000 acres vacant and subject numbers of a periodical called The Pasto enry, and United States land offices at | time. His first appearance as a professional actor occurred in New York, Feb. 24, 1809, as "Young Norval." He appeared in other What horses hold the world's record in cities here, and in 1813 was playing in Engtrotting and pacing, and what are the rec- land. For the next twenty years he had a career of varied success as actor, playwright and manager, making much money, yet keeping in almost constant financial perplexity. While residing in London and Paris, he wrote many dramas, mostly adaptations from the French. "Brutus" and "Charles the Sec-



PROOF POSITIVE. Mand-You say he is getting familiar with you? Ethel-Yes, he's gotten to wearing the same necktie twice in succession

1841 was appointed American consul at Tunis, holding the office until his death there, April 10, 1852. His remains were reinterred at Washington in 1883, 2. He was "an exile from home" as a matter of choice, you see. His mother died when he

Where does the word "Amoskeag" originate? 2. Where is the largest depot in the world? 3. Where is the longest bridge in the world and the one involving most difficult engineering? Name the five largest

It is of Indian origin, the terminal "keag" signifying river or stream. 2. If you mean railroad passenger station the new Union station in Boston is the largest. 3. The rence at Montreal, is probably the longest, measuring, with its approaches, 9.084 feet. to the Office of the Commercial Hotel, Other long bridges are the Parkersburg where they borrowed Cigars and volun-(W. Va.) bridge, 7,045 feet; St. Charles | teered a few Chapters from a Busy Life. bridge, Missouri, 6,536 feet; the Brooklyn bridge, 6,537 feet, and the East river bridge, New York, 5,989 feet. The Victoria and cause the next Author had to raise him Brooklyn bridges involved very skillful en- a few. The one who came in last of all gineering, but the length of a bridge is not an indication of its engineering importance.

I have the rules of basketball, but can't lowing points: How is the ball advanced? the opposing side try to get the ball from the side that has it? 4. When is the goal

By throwing, or by batting with the open hand or hands. It may not be kicked or spot on which he stands as he catches it or may dribble it. 2. Of a team of five, two "forwards" are toward the sides about much long-distance throwing.

nim? 2. Who of his children reigned? 3. Please give the law governing the board | Queen of Scots? 5. Was she born in Engthat the board of health quarantine a fam- | land? 6. Who was her mother? 7. She was ily living five miles in the country when | married to Bothwell, but was he her only one of its members is just taking smallpox, husband? 8. Had she not a son?-Lady Elizabeth.

Catharine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane if serious ill resulted the local authorities | Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Catharine How-Elizabeth, 1558-1603, 3. The present reigning house is that of Hanover. The House of Tudor became exfinct with Elizabeth, and began with Owen of Tudor, an obscure Welsh gentleman, who married Catharine of France, widow of Henry V of England. Henry VIII, 1485-1509, was first Tudor monarch. 4. James V. 5. She was born at Linlithgow, Scotland, at the age of six was affianced to Francis, dauphin of France, and in the same year was taken to France to be educated at the French court. She was nineteen when she returned to Scotland, a widow. 6. Mary of Guise. 7. She married Francis, after his death married How many bales of cotton were produced | Henry Stuart, Lord Darnley, and took Bothwell as husband after the latter had connived at the murder of Darnley, 8. Yes; James I of Great Britain (James VI of Scotland), by her second husband.

## Greatness.

How great is he who lets not toil Take from his soul its radiant hope; Who lets not circumstances foil The inner life of larger scope;

Who looks upon all wordly strife To know his only purpose there Is to sustain an earthly life That shall immortal issue bear

How great is he whose ear can hear The rhythmic beat of nature's heart; That pulse of God which throbs so near Man's puny will and placid art! Whose mind fronts every turn of fate,

Like some tall peak the compass round, Content o'er clouds of doubt to wait In blessed calm eternal bound. Whose love responds to all good will,

Like a low vale that greets the sun, What time its golden harvests fill The homes where never love is done. How great is he who still can feel

Warm friendship for the few who win The prizes in our common weal, Though none may come his life within. Who quick can see through sham and show

And lay all social follies bure, Yet the broad shield of kindness threw Over the wrongs he findeth there. How great, how very great is he

Who with fine service fills his day, That more of happiness shall be, And wisdom point the perfect way. -Charles W. Stevenson.

## THAT WHICH ABIDES.

The throng was moving on without order and apparently without purpose; though here and there in the crowd there were Payne? 2. What was the reason of his exile, races set toward some invisible goal, and write your own Ticket, the Price running big Winners. It must be that all these eyes which glowed with exaltation and shone like stars in a heavenly order. road was broad, rough and full of pitfalls; and showing a clear sky, sometimes setweekly paper, the Thespian Mirror, while | tling about it so closely that its boundaries vanished in obscurity. The throng swept along as if driven forward by some inward impulse; a few pressing on with steady ing two terms and publishing twenty-five step; many hurrying or loitering as the mood seized them; and here and there one vanished with despairing face into the fog and was seen no more. Some ran freely, with buoyant and active step; many wavbroke from the crowd, rested awhile, and then patiently set out again. And ever and anon, in the hurry or the leitering, one stumbled and fell and lay prone, bewildered and exhausted; or rose again, stunned and hurt and soiled, and slipped back into the crowd and was swallowed up in the disorderly ranks. One there was who seemed born to run

well and with speed, and at times he shot far ahead as if he saw his goal; then, when the light was on his face, he stumbled and fell headiong and lay apparently without consciousness. But after a time he lifted himself and looked about him with despair on his face. Sometimes a hand was stretched out toward him; oftener the throng swept on and left him prone in the mire. He staggered to his feet and began to walk slowly, as if in great pain; and he was filled with shame, for his garments were defiled from head to foot and he was one mass of uncleanness. And some who were near drew away, that their own raiment might not be defiled; and he crept on, solftary and sorrowful. Now this man, whose steps were so unsteady that he seemed to fall into the pitfalls against his will and often unaware, hated his own uncleanness and counted himself unworthy the companionship of the white-robed men and women about him. And ever as he fell he loathed the more the mire which clung to him and thought himself the more unfitted to touch hands with the clean. But in his soul there was something, he knew not what, which sent him forward in spite of hurt and pain and mire. When he lay prone, a great sickness of heart smote him and a great longing for cleanness, and so, with shame and much defiled and with loathing of himself, he pressed on with little help, with many cold glances, with a deep sense of repulsion, borne'to him from many faces. At last, footsore and weary and faint in heart, he came to a place where the mist lay on the road and many halted, fearful of what might lie beyond; but he, caring only to be clean and fleeing from "And it came to pass on the morning of his own defilement, ran into the mist. And, the sixth day, as Adam lay asleep in Eden, he looked into the pure faces of those who

"I cannot enter, for I am unclean."

MODERN FABLES BY GEORGE ADE.

The Modern Fable of the the Experience Meeting.

Society Trimmers and What Broke Up Copyright, 1902, by Robert Howard Russell. One Evening a Company of Tourists who , He had landed at the Track with \$18 and

knew all about the Fall Line of Goods a Badge, and he went back with Two Thoufound themselves laid out in a Jim-Crow | sand and then a Lot in his Side Pockets Town. As usual, there had been a Good | that he didn't take the Trouble to count. Show there the Week before, but on this Two or three others who had put the particular Night there was nothing billed | Bookies out of Business and broken the Victoria tubular bridge, over the St. Law- except a Rummage Sale at the Presby- Hearts of the Professional Gamblers terian Church. So the Wayfarers stuck chipped in to the Symbosium and at last The Man who told his Story early in the Game was at a decided Disadvantage, be-

was sure to be the King Bee. The Talk Carnival opened with a brief Session of the Home Wreckers' Association, after which they started in to tell how they had skun the Other Fellow at 2. How are the players arranged? 3. Can | Games of Chance. They hated to talk about Themselves, but they had to do it.

The average Poker Story should run as a Serial. It has a Preamble about as long as the Moral Law. The Mar. who is spinstruck with the fist. A player may not run | ning it in order to entertain himself bewith the ball, but must throw it from the gins by relating how he was on a Sleeper between East St. Louis and Effingham. He tells the Name of the Book he was reading, the Color of the Pullman Conductor's three-fourths the way to the enemy's goal, | Whiskers and the Speed at which the Train two "backs" are behind them, closer to- was running. Having settled these imgether and near their home goal, and the | portant Details he slowly approaches the "center" is about midway between the oth- Plot of the Piece. It seems that Albert er four. 3. Certainly; any player has a | Hieronomous, who used to travel for Skinright to get the ball at any time while it is stine, Walrus & Co., asked him to come in the field of play, provided only that he | into the State Room and hold Cards so as handles the ball and not the opponent. 4. to make it four-handed. The Narrator ex-Goals are tried for whenever an oppor- plains that he had no desire to Play, but tunity offers; experienced players await he went just to oblige Al. Then he tells good opportunities, rather than doing too about meeting a Mining Expert from Colo- Vet. "I never caused a Book-Maker to hit rado and a little Fat Man who owned a the Grit. I can win more out of an Ex-Gents' Furnishing Store in St. Joe. He gives Will you name the wives of Henry VIII | the Conversation in regard to fixing the of England in succession as married to Ante and Limit and forgets who had the Years. The Fact is that I am a Piker. first Deal, but anyway they all dropped | Any time that I stand to win or lose more Tudor? 4. Who was the father of Mary out the first time around and made it a than a Month's Salary at a single Toss,



THE TALK CARNIVAL.

Jack. The St. Joe Man opened it and he, stand," continued the Vet. "I see the the Hero of the Story, lingered on a Pair | Book Makers wearing these \$800 Sparks of Sevens but kept a One-Spotter on the and eating at the Best Places. I drop in side and then picked up a Seven and an at a Gambling Den and take notice of the Ace and made a foxy Bet of Two Bits, and | Wheel inlaid with Pearl, the Rugs two so on and so on. When it came time to inches thick and the free Turkey Sandchange at the Junction he had everything | wiches. I judge that the Rent and Lights except their Clothes.

The little Group in the Hotel Office listened to one of these Typical Tales lasting from 7:30 to 8:45. The Next Man was reminded of what happened to him in El Paso when he sauntered into Cy Ryan's and flipped a big Iron Dollar on the Single O. He caught it and let it lay for a Repeater and then pushed the whole Stack over on the Red and Red come. Then he sprinkled a few Yellow Boys on the first twelve and couldn't go wrong. After playing fifteen minutes and losing back 275 he was still

2.250 to the Good when he cashed in. . It seemed that No. 3 knew how to Inhale a few, for he butted in with a Beaut of how he put a Crimp in a Faro Game at Seattle. He told another of the just-happened-in Kind. He was idly snow-balling the Lay-Out while waiting for a Friend to get through with a Game of Stud. He caught the Tray and then began to Pyramid. The Tray came right for him twentyseven times hand-running, and then the Dealer fell in a Fit and begged him to Stop. He went back to the Hotel with his

Overcoat Pockets full of the Bank Roll. A Clothing Salesman took the Floor with one of those justly celebrated Pipes about as Long as 275 to 1.

low clouds hung over it, sometimes lifting | truthful Clothing Salesman, "was 200 to 1." | tons stretched and said it was time to He took \$10 worth of Lou Perkins at 200 | turn in. several Acquaintances in the Grand Stand. I dom blows about it.

rembling, knowing not what had befallen of his purpose, gave him permission. Then him and doubting if he were himself. And the archangel Michael, who stood by the while he doubted, a voice came to him, steps of the throne, filled with love of God saying: "In thy heart thou didst hate un- | and of His words, suspecting the malevcleanness and love purity, and that only olence of Satan, prayed that he, too, might which we love abides.

## Cures for a Cold. Boston Transcript.

Just about every person one meets now is carrying about a preventive or a cure, so-called, for some phase of a cold. For it is the time of year when that affliction seems to be prevalent and it seems this year to be more prevalent than for several seasons. It is more than suspected by a good many that we have a deal to learn yet about colds. In many instances they appear to be only inconvenient, and not very harmful, so that little time and attention are given to suppress- had a rather stern, sharp manner, which ing them altogether when we have so sometimes jarred a little on the nerves many serious ills to contend with. Without of the more timid. By and by he came to going into any description of the many Brother B., a lay delegate. severe complaints which may and assuredly do result from colds, it may be said | tion of your church?" demanded the bishop, that the most innocuous cold is somewhat | briskly. contagious as witness the way in which a case of mild "snuffles" goes through a family. Each household ought, then, to on the bishop. set itself to solving for its own use and behoof the problem of keeping a cold from | what makes me think so. entering the house at all. No way, perhaps, is so effective as to let in plenty of have family prayer? cold air at all times of the day and night. Let it in judiciously, that is, heat it to a certain degree, and then let it escape a Christian and not hold family prayer?" while more comes in to take its place. We all need to take a leaf from the way in which the successful sanatoria are conducted. There, where only the delicate are ministered to, the basic remedy is fresh air, and plenty of it-even to sleeping out of doors in order to secure sufficiency of it. Just a little of this treatment used at prayer. home will do more than anything else to keep these institutions for the consump- | man than you are?" tives from becoming over-crowded.

Four Gifts.

"And it came to pass on the morning of brother. behold, the mist lifted and a fair country | the devil passed by, and beholding him, lay smiling about him, and hands were recognized him to be a creature of God's. held out to him in welcome. But when and was filled with envy, hatred and malice. Thereupon, coming before the throns stood guardians of the country, he drew of God and bowing himself, he spoke with back, crying, in a great agony of spirit, subtle words and said, I have beheld thy creature made in thine image, and fain And they smiled and pointed to his gar- | would I bestow upon him four natal gifts.' "And God, knowing his inmost thoughts, ments; and they looked, and behold, his garments were like snow. And he stood and at the same time the short-sightedness



had been sitting back doing a Listen. "I don't belong in this Bunch," said the

I get chilled below the Knees. That is when I begin to think about that next Payment on the Building and Loan Stock. Sometimes I am ashamed of myself for not being a keener Sport. I figure that the Streak of Yellow in me must be Double Width, or 72 inches. For years I have been up and down the road with you Boys who look right? I have a fierce time of it." clean up the Book-Makers and give the CENTRAL PRINTING CO. Limerick Knock-Out to every Poker Joint that you find. The Easy-Money Talk that I have heard would fill the Century Dictionary. I'll tell you that I have been discouraged at times to think that I had to Methods while all you had to do, any time you were hard pushed, was to go out and shake down a Professional. During all my time on the Road I never met one of you Fellows who wasn't ahead of the Game. I can't understand what you do with all your Money. Why is that you, who have been picking up these Vast Sums from time to time are overdrawn at the House, while I, with no way of getting it except by pinching the Salary and swelling the Sundries, own a Chunk of Suburban Real Estate?

"There is something else I don't Under-



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"Just before the Fourth Race a Friend amount to Considerable. How can they came to me and told me to get a Piece of keep going and lose Money all the time? Money down on Lou Perkins." It seems | I never meet any one who admits that he that Lou Perkins was commonly regarded is feeding his Income to the Man with the as a crippled Goat, and it was a case of Spotted Shirt. All the People I meet are Games inherited what they've got." "But the best I could get," says the When he paused several of his Compan-

to 1, and she came in sideways nodding to | Moral! The Man who gets Cleaned sel-

be permitted to bestow four gifts on man. And God, as he had known that Satan desired to bestow curses, knew that Michael wished to give blessings, and knew also the nature of both, and gave him also per-"Then a strange thing came to pass, for, lo! the gifts of each were the same, and

their names were-Work and Wine and Woman and Death." The Sinful Brother.

Harper's Magazine.

It was at a certain church meeting, and the good bishop was calling for reports. He "Brother B., what is the spiritual condi-

"I consider it good," said the brother, "What makes you think it is good?" went "Well, the people are religious. That's "What do you call religious? Do they "Some of them do and some do not." "Do you mean to say that a man may be

'Yes, sir; I think so.' "Do you hold family prayer?" "Yes, sir," returned the brother, quietly. "And yet you think a man may be Christian and not hold family prayer?" "I have a brother who is a better man than I am who does not hold family

What makes you think he is a better "Everybody says so, and I know he is." "Why does not your brother, if he is such a good man, hold family prayer?" thundered the bishop. "He has no family," meekly answered the

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